

### EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Blake on 7/19/06.

The application has been amended as follows: In claim 1, line 6, "the centralizing" has been changed to --at least one centralizing member--; In claim 3, line 1, "centralizer" has been changed to --at least one centralizing member--; In claim 5, <sup>line 3</sup> ~~line 2~~, "centralizer" has been changed to --at least one centralizing member--; and In claim 6, lines 1 and 2, "wherein the centralizer comprises" has been changed to --further comprising--.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to William P. Neuder whose telephone number is 571-272-7032. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday through Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David J. Bagnell can be reached on 571-272-6999. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.